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NEW JERSEY BOARD OF RECREATION EXAMINERS

The New Jersey Board of Recreation Examiners was established by Chapter 291, of Public Laws of 1966 to administer a permissive certification program to Recreation Administrators and Recreation Supervisors. Over 1,400 people have been certified in the past 36 years. The legislation was created in order to safeguard and promote the emotional, social, physical and intellectual growth of the people of the State of New Jersey through recreation services. It also protects individuals within the state who receive recreation services by identifying to them, those persons who meet the professional and high quality care criteria.

CERTIFICATION STANDARDS

There are two levels of certification: Recreation Administrator and Recreation Supervisor. In addition to meeting the certification standards listed below an applicant must pass the corresponding examination to become certified as either a Recreation Administrator or Recreation Supervisor. An individual can become certified as a Recreation Administration or Recreation Supervisor by passing either the municipal recreation or therapeutic recreation examination.

RECREATION ADMINISTRATOR – RA

Hold a baccalaureate degree in recreation from an accredited college and have a minimum total of 12 months recreation experience, or

Hold a baccalaureate degree in a field related to recreation, such as group work, sociology, or physical education from an accredited college and have a total of 24 months recreation experience, or

Hold a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college and have a total of 36 months recreation experience, or

Have 6 or more years' administrative and supervisory recreation experience. In meeting the above designated qualifications an applicant may substitute an additional year of specialized graduate training in recreation for 1 year of recreation experience.

RECREATION SUPERVISOR – RS

Hold a baccalaureate degree in recreation from an accredited college and have a minimum total of 9 months recreation experience, or

Hold a baccalaureate degree in a field related to recreation, such as group work, sociology, or physical education from an accredited college and have a total of 21 months recreation experience, or

Hold a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college and have a total of 30 months recreation experience, or

Have 4 or more years recreation experience.

In meeting the above designated qualifications an applicant may substitute an additional year of specialized graduate training in recreation for 1 year of recreation experience.

FEES

Application Fee	\$5.00
5 Year Renewal Fee	\$10.00 (\$2.00/year)
Expired Renewal Fee	\$5.00

APPLICATION AND REVIEW PROCESS

An application with appropriate documentation, official transcripts, and application fee (\$5.) must be submitted to the Secretary of the New Jersey Board of Recreation Examiners. The application will be reviewed and you will be notified regarding your eligibility to sit for either examination. The application fee is non-refundable regardless of your eligibility to sit for the examination. Upon being eligible to sit for the examination you will be notified of the date, time and location of the next examination.

RENEWAL OF CERTIFICATION

Every five years a \$10.00 renewal fee must be submitted to the New Jersey Board of Recreation Examiners. The renewal must include proof of 5. CEUs. Renewal notices will be mailed six months prior to expiration. A 90 day grace period shall be allowed for submitting documentation, but this grace period shall not be used by the applicant to obtain credits.

APPLICATION AND INFORMATION

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